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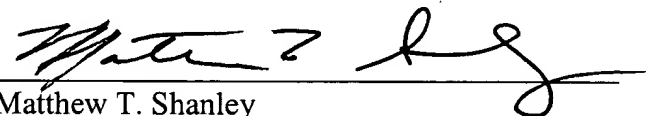
RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF ALLOWANCE

In response to the Notice of Allowance mailed August 10, 2005, enclosed are a completed issue fee transmittal form PTOL-85b, transmittal of 28 sheets of formal drawings, and a check for \$1430 for the required fee, including patent copies.

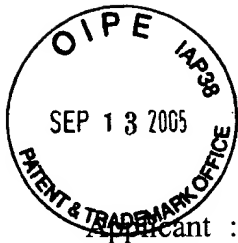
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TRANSMITTAL OF FORMAL DRAWINGS

In response to the Notice of Allowability mailed August 10, 2005, please substitute the enclosed twenty-eight (28) sheets of formal drawings for the corresponding drawings presently in the application.

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